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Still Summer Greetings!

We certainly hope you've had a terrific summer! As usual, it raced by, even faster this year than usual. But cheer up-and come to RVAA's next meeting at the Somerset County Library, 7:30 pm, meeting rooms A & B, but this time only we meet TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30. Anne Kullaf will be doing an oil painting demo for us. Anne's work has been exhibited at the National Arts Club, and will be featured in a 2008/2009 traveling museum exhibit, *"The New Reality: The Frontier of Realism in the 21st Century"*. She regularly exhibits her work in New York City at the Salmagundi Club and the Michael Ingbar Gallery. Additionally, she is a faculty member of the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, the Hunterdon Museum of Art, and the Somerset Art Association. You can see her work at www.kullaf.com

DUES ARE DUE! Please send your checks made out to RVAA to our Membership Chairman **Doug Axmann, 16 Schoolhouse Lane, Somerville, NJ 08876**. Dues are \$30. Individual, \$35. Family, and \$15. Student (through high school). Dues will get you all these demonstrations, two or three exhibits a year (including our Holiday Extravaganza at the Somerset County Library, which runs a month), the annual Big Apple Trip, the newsletters, a presence on the internet, and last, but not least, lots of camaraderie.

President Linda Arnold is happy to tell us that RVAA will have a special exhibit at the Bernardsville Library Art Gallery (Kathy Palmer-curator) for the month of November 2009.

*An Open Invitation to All Area Artists * from Trinity United Church, 114 King George Road, Warren, NJ. TUC's Mini-Art Gallery is open! Would you like to use the space (a 4 x 8' bulletin board in our Sanctuary) to display your art work and become TUC's Artist of the Month? *Here's how*
September 2008, the space will be available to area artists on a monthly basis to display paintings, collages, photography, quilts and other 2-dimensional art work In September we are displaying a "Retrospective" of several paintings from TUC's '04, '05, and '06' Art Shows, featuring several artists including RVAA member Kit Bebbington. October RVAA member Sylvia

Glesmann is featured. Space is filling fast. Please call or email Kit Bebbington to choose your month-732 356-3730; e-mail: **kitlink@verizon.net** . If you wish to sell any items, a 20% donation is suggested to be used for TUC's restoration projects. "It's just another way to let others see and appreciate your art and to help TUC continue its outreach into the community."..

A former RVAA member who was a friend to many of us and also taught several of us, Sally Millspaugh, recently passed away. Although she's not lived in this area for some time we know many of you know her and will miss her. Your editor remembers her lovely paintings and that she was an artist, teacher, and judge/juror for art shows.

Many of us enjoyed Kevan Lunney's fun lecture and display of her fiber art. Kevan has a request of us....

could you or some of your members write up a review or comments of my lecture that I could put on my website that I am working on? It would be helpful to others to know more about my topic, my style, and whatever you thought would be helpful to mention. Then we can trade links.

Kevan Rupp Lunney
email: **KevanartL@aol.com**
www.FiberRevolution.com

the purpose of life is to share your gifts with the world Thank you!

This has come in from Niquole Primiani,Community Arts Program.New Jersey State Council on the Arts,225 West State Street, PO Box 306,Trenton, NJ 08625-0306

The Council is interested in making sure that the artists in your county are receiving information about our programs and services available to them. Together Don Ehman, Artists' Services Program Associate and Tom Moran, Artists' Services Senior Program Officer manage the Council's offerings for artists which include: fellowships opportunities; Arts in Communities grants in partnership with the Mid-Atlantic Foundation for the Arts; The Council's Projects Serving Artist grant; two arts annuals in fine arts and crafts each year showcasing NJ artists; a slide registry; and, the Arts Inclusion Program. I know that many of you have directories and maintain lists of artists in your county and the Council is hoping that you might share their contact information with us. We are primarily interested in obtaining their email addresses, but we would also be happy to accept their mailing addresses. If you are able to get the lists to us electronically that would be great. I would ask that you please forward information to Don at email: **don@arts.sos.state.nj.us**.

*And now, a letter from the Educational Testing Service:
Dear artist:*

This is our 33rd year providing quality art exhibits by area artists. In our continuing effort to support and encourage the art community, Educational Testing Service is accepting applications from artists and craftpersons for works to be considered for one-person exhibits and group exhibits at our Princeton, NJ facility for the 2009 calendar year.

Interested artists should review the guidelines, complete the application and return it by September 30, 2008. Your application must include a CD with 10 .jpg files of the images of the work you wish to exhibit. The pixel size maximum is 1024 x760 for the images. We will accept 10 slides but the electronic images are preferable. Color Xeroxes or photographs will not be accepted.

The ETS Art Review Committee will meet in October or November, 2008 to select artists and their works for exhibition. The art review committee will consist of ETS employees.

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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

LINDA ARNOLD has been working on a commission of twenty paintings, mostly historical scenes, for the Millington Savings Bank. She has work in their Riverwalk and Dewey Meadow branches and the new work will be going into the Bernardsville and Martinsville branches. Linda also had a painting in the New Jersey Water Color Society Associates' Show at the Morris County Library and she is doing a commission for the Ridge High Touchdown Club again for their fall fundraiser.

KIT BEBBINGTON is in a group show at Trinity United Church in Warren during September.

SHERRY ENGELBERG, DIANA PATTON, PEGGYE COLE TOMBRO, and HAROLD RUCHLIN are all exhibiting in the juried "Senior Celebration" July 14-Sept 12. Diana's work "Cabbages and Petunias" was chosen for the invitation postcard.

DIANA PATTON is one of 20 artists who illustrated the box of cards which are sold in conjunction with the book "The Art of Game Design" by Jesse Schell (of Schell Games, Inc.) She illustrated eight of the 100 cards. The book and cards are sold on Amazon and also <http://artofgamedesign.com/merchandise/>. One of her designs is on the tee shirt which can be seen (and bought!) at www.zazzle.com/the_lens_of_unification_shirt-235145060331789206 (editor's note-if you go to the site, please leave a comment on my shirt-they made shirts from perhaps a dozen designs-most of the artists were digital-obviously mine is a watercolor shirt)

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